COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Wednesday, *the* *17th of Karkadagam 1103.*
1st of August 1928.

The House met at Half past Eleven of the Clock with the Diwan-President in the Chair. All Members except Messrs. Rao Sahib T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar, K. T. Mathew, Rao Sahib C. Matthai, Dr. A. R. Menon and Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur were present.

Questions and Answers.

Alur Panchayat.

21. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether Rs. 500 were sanctioned for the construction of a road in the Alur Panchayat in 1102 and 1103;

(b) whether the President of the Panchayat undertook to complete the work in 1102 itself and that the full payment may be made in 1103; if so, whether he completed the work in 1102 and whether the whole amount was paid to him; if not what portion of the amount was paid to him and why was not the whole amount paid;

(c) whether the Panchayat wanted the balance amount which was not paid for the maintenance of the same road; if so, whether the amount was paid; if not, why not; what was the reply given to the Panchayat for that; how was that amount utilised by that Department?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.— (a) Rs. 300 in each year was sanctioned in 1102 and 1103.

(b) Yes. Rs. 501-14-7 in all was paid in two years towards the value of works so done and according to measurements taken.

(c) Yes. The balance was not paid. As the work was completed the savings was utilised for other urgent items. The reply given to the Panchayat was കഴിഞ്ഞകൊല്ലം നടത്തിച്ച പണിയിൽ ഇത്രവേഗം കേടുപാടുകൾ സംഭവിപ്പാനുള്ള കാരണമെന്തെന്നറിയുന്നില്ല. ഇക്കൊല്ലം റോഡിന്നനുവദിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള സംഖ്യയിൽ ബാക്കിയുണ്ടായിരിക്കുന്നതു് വേറെപണികൾക്കു വകമാറ്റി എടുത്തകഴിഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്നു. അതിനാൽ ഈ സംഗതിയെപ്പറ്റി ഫാറ൪-ൽ പ്രത്യേകം വക കാണിച്ചു് എഴുതി അയക്കേണ്ടതാണെന്നറിവാനായി എഴുതിയിരിക്കുന്നു.

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Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The road was completed in 1102. The amount for maintenance was asked for in the year 1103, and in the answer it is stated that it is not necessary. May I know whether there is any road under the P.W.D., which is one year old, and not maintained in the next year?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—The P. W. D. is to answer that question.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know from the Hon'ble Member for Public Works Department whether there is any road, which is one year old and not maintained next year?

Rao Bahadur Mr. John Kuriyan.—When we take up a road for maintenance, we maintain it every year.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know why this road was not allowed to be maintained just like the D. P. W. road?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—The Hon'ble Member will find from the list that every year we construct roads, and it may not be possible to find allotments for every road. When we know from the reports that they are in need of repairs, we inspect the same on going to the spot, and, if found necessary, we allow maintenance.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The road was completed in 1102. There was an amount of Rs. 90 and odd remaining, and that amount was asked for maintenance, and that was refused. There is already Rs. 90 remaining.

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—It was not found necessary to spend any further amount on that particular road this year. The work was practically completed by the end of 1102, and final payments were made in 1103. So, no further amount for maintenance this year was found necessary.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was this reply given after inspecting the roads?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Yes.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—So the road was inspected?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Yes.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എ. രാമചന്ദ്രയ്യർ.—ആവക മാറ്റങ്ങൾ, പഞ്ചായത്തിൽനിന്നും ആ ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെണ്ടിലേക്കുതന്നെ എടുത്തുവാ കൃഷിആവശ്യത്തിനു എടുത്തുവോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ഐ. രാമൻമേനോൻ.—വേറെ പഞ്ചായത്തിലെക്ക എടുക്കുകയാണുണ്ടായതു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എ. രാമചന്ദ്രയ്യർ.—എന്തു ആവശ്യത്തിനായിട്ടാണു്?

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മിസ്റ്റർ ഐ. രാമൻമേനോൻ.—വേറെ ചിലതായ്യാവശ്യമായ ചിലവുകൾ നടത്തുന്നതിനു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എ. രാമചന്ദ്രയ്യർ.—എന്തു ചിലവാണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ഐ. രാമൻമേനോൻ.—ഇപ്പോൾ ഓർക്കുന്നില്ല.

Maharaja's College.

22. Mr. K. J. Antony.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) who appoints Professors and Lecturers in the Maharaja's College, Ernakulam;

(b) what are the powers of the Principal of the College and the Director of Public Instruction respectively with regard to appointments in the College Department?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(a) By the Government.

(b) Vide S. O. Nos. 24 and 25.

Mr. K. J. Antony.—I am asked to refer to the Standing Order 24 with regard to the appointments in the College Department. May I know whether the name 'Lecturers' is still retained in the College?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—The Education Member is absent. But I may say there are Professors and Assistant Professors in the College Department, and so, the name 'Lecturers' is not retained.

Mr. K. J. Antony.—What is the power of the Director of Public Instruction in making appointments in the College Department?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—The D. P. I. has no power of appointment.

It is the Government that make all appointments.

Mr. K. J. Antony.—What is the fun of giving me a reference to Standing Order 24?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—There is nothing funny about it.

Mr. K. J. Antony.—It is a wrong reference.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—May be, I am sorry.

Mr. K. J. Antony.—Then with regard to the power of the Principal, I am asked to refer to S. O. 25. S. O. 25 says that the Principal has power of appointments in the Primary Departments only. My question is not that.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Not exactly Primary Department.

Mr. K. J. Antony.—Standing Order 25 says: "The Principal of the Ernakulam College is empowered to make all appointments in the Primary Department of the College....".

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